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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Leszek Wojnowski and Elisabeth Hustert  
Application No. : 10/070,588 Confirmation No. : 7619  
Filed : March 8, 2002  
Group Art Unit : 1646  
Examiner : Gyan Chandra  
For : POLYMORPHISMS IN THE HUMAN hPXR GENE  
AND THEIR USE IN DIAGNOSTIC AND  
THERAPEUTIC APPLICATIONS

New York, New York  
September 8, 2005

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Commissioner for Patents  
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This responds to the April 8, 2005 Office Action in the above-identified application. This Response is filed concurrently with a Petition for a two-month extension of time for responding to that action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), together with the requisite extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2). With this extension of time, a response is due on or before September 8, 2005.

Application No. 10/070,588  
Response dated September 8, 2005  
Response to Office Action dated April 8, 2005

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.